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duty means the first date between June 30, 1950, and July 1, 1971, on which he began a new period of active military duty, whether it was by original entry, reentry or extension.

- (2) He is honorably separated from active military duty.
- (3) He applies for restoration of eligibility within 90 days after discharge from active military duty or from hospitalization continuing for 1 year or less following separation from active military duty.
- (4) He is still qualified to perform the duties of the position for which the register is used.
- (b) When a person is entitled to have his name restored to a register under paragraph (a) of this section, OPM shall enter his name at the top of the appropriate group on the register if another eligible standing lower on the register on which his name formerly appeared was given a career or careerconditional appointment from that register. For professional and scientific positions in GS-9 and above and in comparable pay levels under other payfixing authorities, all eligibles are in one group. For all other positions, preference eligibles with a compensable service-connected disability of 10 percent or more are in one group and all other eligibles in another.
- (c) When there is no appropriate existing register, OPM may establish special registers containing the names of persons entitled to priority of certification under paragraph (b) of this section, together with the names of eligibles described in §332.311, and use these registers for certification to fill appropriate vacancies.

[33 FR 12426, Sept. 4, 1968, as amended at 35 FR 414, Jan. 13, 1970]

§332.323 Employees separated during probation.

An employee who is separated (voluntarily or involuntarily) without delinquency or misconduct during his probationary period is entitled to have his name restored to the register of eligibles from which he was appointed, if he applies for restoration while the register is still in use.

Subpart D—Consideration for Appointment

§332.401 Order on registers.

Subject to apportionment, residence, and other requirements of law and this chapter, OPM shall enter the names of eligibles on the appropriate register in accordance with their numerical ratings, except that the names of:

- (a) Preference eligibles shall be entered in accordance with their augmented ratings and ahead of others having the same rating; and
- (b) Preference eligibles who have a compensable service-connected disability of 10 percent or more shall be entered at the top of the register in the order of their ratings unless the register is for professional or scientific positions in GS-9 and above and in comparable pay levels under other pay-fixing authorities.

§ 332.402 Referring candidates for appointment.

OPM or a Delegated Examining Unit (DEU) will refer candidates for consideration by simultaneously listing a candidate on all certificates for which the candidate is interested, eligible, and within reach, except that, when it is deemed in the interest of good administration and candidates have been so notified, OPM or a DEU may choose to refer candidates for only one vacancy at a time. Selecting officials will receive sufficient names, when available, to allow them to consider at least 3 candidates for each vacancy.

[67 FR 7056, Feb. 15, 2002]

§ 332.403 Selective certification.

When there is no register appropriate as a whole for the certification of eligibles for a particular position, OPM may prepare a certificate from the most nearly appropriate existing register by the selective certification of eligibles qualified for the particular position in the order of their ranking on the register. Special overseas selection factors may also be used as a basis for selective certification from a register used for filling overseas positions. When appropriate, OPM may rerate the eligibles on the register on the basis of

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the particular requirements of the position

§ 332.404 Order of selection from certificates.

An appointing officer, with sole regard to merit and fitness, shall select an eligible for:

- (a) The first vacancy from the highest three eligibles on the certificate who are available for appointment; and
- (b) The second and each succeding vacancy from the highest three eligibles on the certificate who are unselected and available for appointment.

§ 332.405 Three considerations for appointment.

An appointing officer is not required to consider an eligible who has been considered by him for three separate appointments from the same or different certificates for the same position.

§ 332.406 Objections to eligibles.

- (a) An appointing officer is not required to consider an eligible to whose certification for the particular position he makes an objection that is sustained by OPM for any of the reasons stated in §339.101 or §731.201 of this chapter or for other reasons considered by OPM to be disqualifying for the particular position. OPM may also sustain an objection to certification of an otherwise qualified eligible for an overseas position on the basis of special overseas selection factors.
- (b) An appointing officer may not pass over a preference eligible to select a non-preference eligible unless an objection to the preference eligible is sustained by OPM.
- (c) Pending OPM action on an agency's objection to an eligible, the agency may not appoint an eligible who would be within reach only if the objection is sustained.
- (d) Paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, do not apply if the agency has more than one position to fill from the same certificate and holds a position for the individual objected to in the event OPM does not sustain the objection
- (e) Agencies shall follow the procedures for objecting to an eligible pub-

lished by OPM in its operating manuals.

 $[42\ FR\ 61240,\ Dec.\ 2,\ 1977,\ as\ amended\ at\ 66\ FR\ 66710,\ Dec.\ 27,\ 2001]$

§ 332.407 Restriction of consideration to one sex.

An appointing officer may not restrict his consideration of eligibles or employees for competitive appointment or appointment by noncompetitive action to a position in the competitive service to one sex, except in unusual circumstances when OPM finds the action justified.

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PART 333—RECRUITMENT AND SE-LECTION FOR TEMPORARY AND TERM APPOINTMENTS OUTSIDE THE REGISTER

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Subpart A—General Provisions

§ 333.101 Standards for temporary and term appointments outside the register.

Except as OPM may otherwise specify, an agency, in making a temporary or term appointment outside the register, shall determine that the applicant meets the qualification standards issued by OPM and that he or she is not disqualified for any of the reasons listed in § 339.101 and § 731.201 of this chapter. Candidates found to be qualified